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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 1797 PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q95621 Masanobu AIZAWA Group Art Unit: 1797 Appln. No.: 10/590,234 Confirmation No.: 6972 Examiner: Benjamin M. Kurtz Filed: August 22, 2006 For: SEPARATION MEMBRANE AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. The response is being filed along with a Petition for Extension of Time for one month, thereby extending the date of response from August 29, 2009 to September 29, 2009. Therefore, the response is timely filed. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS......2

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